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PARISH MISSION

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations… (Matthew 28:19)

We are a faith community of baptized Roman Catholics who are called to build our lives in the image of Christ. We serve in humility and love through Word, Sacrament, and Christian service. Together we draw the people of Niles and the surrounding areas to a closer relationship with God and each other.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2026
Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs
8:30am – at Saint Rose Church in Girard

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026 (SS)
Weekday
7:30-8:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30am – First Responders by Mike and Anka Krakora

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026 (OLMC)
Weekday
7:30-8:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30am – Carmel Angela Morabito Dalessandro Rinaldi by Morabito family
9:00-10:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026 (SS)
Weekday
7:30-8:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30am – Souls in Purgatory by Peggy McCaughtry
9:00-10:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026 (OLMC)
Weekday
7:30-8:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30am – James and Lena Youll by son, Dennis

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026 (OLMC)
Vigil, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
3:15-3:45pm – Confessions
4:00pm – Jessica Sacco by family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15-8:45am – Confessions
9:00am – Clarence L. Hockenberry by Lois Hockenberry and family **(SS)**
11:00am – Ed Mosca by family **(OLMC)**

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick of our parish community and for all who are in need especially: ***Dennis Liebert, Debbie Bindas, Joyce Cunningham, Joseph Russo, Karen Battin-Vitale, Dorothy Bianco, Alida Lendvay, Mary Beth Havasi, Janet Kandrac, Sue Kopetsky, John Wilson, Kathy DeCristofaro, Mitzi Malvasi, Jennifer Cable, Michelle Howard, Jo Medovich, Kevin Grafton, Mary Catherine Freel, Kara Stanford, Arlene Wilson, Mary Miller, Bob Leonard, Mike Kozak, Sandy LaMonica, Carri R., Debbie Kovell, Lois DiFrancesco, Jack DiTunno, Tammy C., Paul Lapolla, Jim Orsine, Michael Edward Thompson, Martha Williams, Marie Perfette, Sue Mollis, Chuck and Bonnie Jorza, Rachel Tarr, Steve and Dee Cvengros, Rita Mae Dodasovich, Rosalie McGinnis, Gavin Lengle, Todd Beedy, John Daubner, Peter Ford, Hudson Joseph, Nanette Ball, Rick Cool, Clair Darby Camp, Bridget Darby Flores, Eli Flores, Debbie Schimley, Lois Hockenberry, Gloria Nitsky, Lola L., Larry Batovsky, Sr., Carrie Trybus, Tamie Ezzo, Slanina family, Donald Augustine, Tina Bonanno, Michael Kovell, Linda Marchese, Linda Cerimele and family, Catherine Wolf, Roberta Williams, Dan Brannon, Anthony Storti, Connie Berendt, Angela Marzullo, Kollipara family, Beverly Korda, Kim Ziegler, Doreen Hallock Kascsak, Nicholas Korda, Anthony Montevideo, and all those who suffer any illness, especially those who have no one to pray for them.***

SAINT STEPHEN CAMPUS

ETERNAL FLAME INTENTIONS-
WEEK OF OCTOBER 18-24, 2026

Elaine Rivera by Rita and John Dutton

Mass Count for October 10-11, 2026

4:00pm – 157 (OLMC)
9:00am – 165 (SS)
11:00am – 163 (OLMC)
Total 485 people out of 955 registered parishioners

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COMMUNITY SUPPERS for the month of October will be held at Niles First Methodist Church, 608 North Crandon Avenue, Niles, Ohio on Thursdays from 4:30-6:00pm.

NILES COMMUNITY SERVICES is collecting all types of crackers during the month of October. Please give to one of the ushers before Mass or put in the clear bins in the back of the church.

STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

(*October 10-11,2026*)

Sunday collection:	$	9,299.74
Monthly Dues:	$	131.00
Parish Projects:	$	265.00
Saint Vincent de Paul (OLMC):	$	62.00
All Saints:	$	31.00
All Souls:	$	226.00
Combined Mission:	$	105.00
Cemetery:	$	435.00
We Share for September:	$	1,948.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Parish School of Religion October & November Calendar:
Sunday, October 18, Grades K-8, 10:05-10:55am
Sunday, October 25, Grades K-8, 10:05-10:55am
All students to Mass – 5th & 6th Grade 11:00am
Sunday, November 1, Grades K-8, 10:05-10:55am
Sunday, November 8, Grades K-8, 10:05-10:55am
First Reconciliation Session (student and parents) 10:05-10:55am
Sunday, November 15, Grades K-8, 10:05-10:55am
Sunday, November 22, Grades K-8, 10:05-10:55am
All students to Mass – 4th Grade 11:00am
Sunday, November 29, No PSR – Thanksgiving Weekend

THE FRANK H. MILLS SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

Graduating seniors who are members of Niles Churches or residents of the City of Niles who are members of churches in Trumbull County are encouraged to apply for the Frank H. Mills Scholarship Trust. To qualify, a student must be a verifiable member of a church located in the City of Niles which is registered with the Secretary of the State of Ohio, and who lives in Trumbull County. The scholarships are for students who will be attending college, community college or trade school. Applications must be submitted by December 31st and the committee shall make a decision by February 28th of the following year. **The applications will need to be turned in for signatures to the parish office on or before Thursday, December 10th by 4:00pm due to the deadlines for Christmas. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!** You may contact the Parish Office for additional information.

OCTOBER 17-18, 2026 – TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 24, 2026

4:00PM Mass (OLMC)

Readers: Sandy Bilovesky, Cathy Lukasko
Servers: Kelly Lukasko, Greg Sefchik
EM's: Pam Sowers, Alec Lukasko, Bernie Profato, Patricia Scarmuzzi
Ushers: Jim Davis, Joseph Zuzolo, Dennis Youll, Maurice Candio, Barbara Frank, Anna Zysk

Sunday, October 25, 2026

9:00AM Mass (SS)

Sacristan: Steve Garcar
Reader: Charlene Rabel
Extraordinary Minister of the Bread: Jacquie Whetstone
Extraordinary Minister of the Cup: Sherrie Sylvester, Nora Hlad
Altar Server: Sophia Gearhart
Greeter: John Daubner, Carol Sylvester

11:00AM Mass (OLMC)

Readers: Jamie Merlo, Matt Marrara
Servers: Dante DeGennaro, John Marco DeGennaro, Nicholas Powell, Joey Fallo
EM's: Connie Migliozzi, Kathy Salapata, Chrissy Lanham, Lorie Prokup
Ushers: Michael Lastic, Ray Muche, Anthony DeMaiolo, Jr., Ed Bugos, George Kaniclides, Harry Salapata, Michael Krakora, Don Andres, Sam Ragozine

NILES COUNCIL #1681 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

will meet on Wednesday, October 21st at 7:00pm in Holy Family Hall (basement of the church at Mount Carmel).

The Parish family of Saint Pope John XXIII will have Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 25, 2026 beginning at 1:00pm at Mount Carmel Campus Social Hall parking lot and at Saint Stephen Campus Church parking lot. Volunteers are needed at both campuses! Donated bags of wrapped candy for both campuses can be dropped off at the parish office at 381 Robbins Avenue, Niles before Thursday, October 22nd. Please call the office at 330-652-5825 to register your car to distribute candy at either campus. Children are encouraged to dress in their costumes!

ATTENTION LECTORS: The new Liturgical Year (Year B) begins on Saturday and Sunday, November 28th and 29th which is the First Sunday of Advent. Your Lector workbooks are now available in the sacristy for pick-up. Please sign your name on the sheet when you receive your workbook.

Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTIONS

We are currently in the process of taking Mass Intention requests for 2027. With four Masses celebrated weekly at the Mount Carmel campus and three Masses celebrated at Saint Stephen campus we are attempting to allow each family who participates on a regular basis to have one Mass celebrated for their loved ones during the coming year. Once we have provided ample time to request intentions, we will determine the number of Masses, if any, which remain available and then offer them on a first come-first served basis. According to Canon Law, we can only accept as many Mass Intentions as can be celebrated during the coming year. Any others would have to be forwarded to other parishes in need of intentions or retired priests in need of Mass Intentions. A suggestion on how to list the intention would be: [1] An individual: *John Smith*; [2] A couple: *John & Mary Smith*; [3] A family: *the Smith family*; [4] Two families: *the Smith / Jones family*. Thank you and may God grant eternal rest to all our faithful departed. Please fill out the Mass Intention form and check either Mount Carmel or Saint Stephen.

2027 MASS INTENTION FORM

_____(Mount Carmel) ___(Saint Stephen)

Please note – limit **ONE** Mass per family – all Masses are recorded as they are received. Dates are **not** guaranteed. **The request form and the stipend of $10.00 per Mass Intention must be sent in together for the Mass to be scheduled**. Please send your request to the parish office [1] by way of the Sunday offertory, [2] by mailing them to the office, [3] by dropping them off at the parish office (381 Robbins Avenue, Niles, Ohio). ***Please do not call the parish office to schedule a Mass.*** **PLEASE PRINT**

Mass Intention is for

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Mass Intention is by

_____

Preferred date of the Mass (not guaranteed)

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Phone number

_____

OCTOBER 17-18, 2026 – TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH CLEANING will be on Friday, October 23rd at 9:00am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel campus. If you have a few hours, please stop by the church to help!

Saint Pope John XXIII, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Campus Annual Night at the Races will be held at the Parish Social Hall on Saturday, November 21st. Doors open at 6:00pm and the racing begins promptly at 6:45pm. Tickets are $30.00 which includes a horse, admission ticket and buffet (variety of pizza, cavatelli and meatballs, sausage and peppers). The evening is BYOB and snacks are welcome. If you are not purchasing a horse, admission is $20.00. During the evening, we will have Raffle baskets, 50/50 and will conclude the evening with an auction race. If your sponsored horse wins you will get $50.00. Please have your check and horse forms to the office no later than November 12th. Forms are available in the parish office. Any questions, please call Tom Rossi at 330-720-2518.

NILES COMMUNITY SERVICE

Niles Community Services, 401 Vienna Avenue, Niles is accepting 2026 Christmas applications for the food and toy program on November 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th from 9:00am-5:00pm. Applicants need to bring the following: photo ID, proof of residency, income verification, and medical cards for children.

SAINT STEPHEN CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

All Veteran's Flags will be removed on Wednesday, October 21st by the Niles High School students. We ask that you remove all decorations (summer flowers, decorations, etc.) for cemetery clean-up be done prior to October 21st. The lawn care company requests that all memorials be removed for final seasonal cutting. Please refrain from putting any holiday decorations up before December 1st.

DONATIONS NEEDED: We are looking for items for Raffle Gift Baskets or Gift Cards for the upcoming Night at the Races on Saturday, November 21st. If you or a business would like to donate, please call Geri at 330-727-7843. You may drop them off at the parish office Monday through Thursday from 8:30am-4:00pm or they can also be dropped off at the social hall on Friday, November 20th between 11am-1:00pm.

YOUNG AT HEART GROUP will meet on **Wednesday, October 21st**. We will begin with the recitation of the Rosary at 11:15am for peace throughout the world. Lunch will be at 12:00pm. Lynda Ralston and Sandy Bilovesky will present "Niles in McKinley Time". Cost is $10.00 for lunch. All are welcome. Bring a guest.

VOCATION THOUGHT: *"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."*

(Matthew 22:21)

While we make choices in our daily lives, our ultimate allegiance belongs to God. Every vocation, priesthood, consecrated life, or holy matrimony, invites us to surrender our will to His, offering our lives in loving service. Consider where God is calling you to place His will above your own. Talk to Father Leo, Deacon Michael, or reach out to the Vocation Office at 330-744-8451 or via email at vocations@youngstowndiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:

"Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." Matthew 22:21

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second, especially our money.

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